

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2421 - HB 2561

February 12, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows a local court clerk to disburse child support payments which they receive directly to the custodial parent or guardian. The clerk may collect the statutory fee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000

Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000

Other Fiscal Impact - May jeopardize \$218,000,000 of federal TANF block grant funds

According to the Department of Human Services, current law (TCA 36-5-116) and federal statute require such payments to be collected and disbursed by the Central Child Support Collection and Disbursement Unit. This bill will violate federal law and put TANF block grant funds at risk. The bill will also reduce payments to the state for child support processing fees and increase local government revenues for collection of the same five percent fee.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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